Camber Configuration Control for Performance Optimization (C3PO), Phase I



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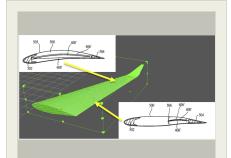
Project Introduction

A novel actuation concept previously used for trailing edge tab control is to be extended for use in spanwise camber control for enhanced aerodynamic performance of next generation aircraft designs. The key features of its low-power, two-position (bistable) nature and small size permit its application as secondary structure within wing assemblies, thereby allowing for flight-dependent customization of the spanwise camber to optimize vehicle aerodynamic efficiency. The proposed Phase I program will leverage previous development success of the actuation concept to scale design applications for ultimate use on transport-category aircraft, and provide risk reduction via demonstration wind tunnel tests on a scaled wing half-span model. A byproduct of the scaling law will be its incorporation within a Multidisciplinary Design Analysis and Optimization (MDAO) tool for ease of exploration of the actuation features in the context of novel vehicle configurations having flight control for performance adjustment.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Continuum Dynamics,	Lead	Industry	Ewing, New
Inc.	Organization		Jersey
Langley Research Center(LaRC)	Supporting	NASA	Hampton,
	Organization	Center	Virginia



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Primary U.S. Work Locations		
New Jersey	Virginia	

Project Transitions

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June 2014: Project Start

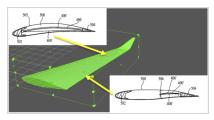


December 2014: Closed out

Closeout Documentation:

• Final Summary Chart(https://techport.nasa.gov/file/137492)

Images



Project Image

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Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

Continuum Dynamics, Inc.

Responsible Program:

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Project Management

Program Director:

Jason L Kessler

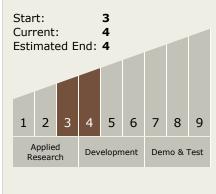
Program Manager:

Carlos Torrez

Principal Investigator:

Robert Mckillip

Technology Maturity (TRL)





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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX12 Materials, Structures, Mechanical Systems, and Manufacturing
 - └ TX12.1 Materials
 - └ TX12.1.3 Flexible Material Systems

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System

